

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 29, 1886

NO MORE RAILROADS. The Proposition to Stay the Progress and Development of Southwest Kansas

During the last session of the legislature when a strenuous effort was being made by wild-eyed impracticals and soured and short-sighted demagogues to force a maximum freight bill through, the EAGLE came out in a series of articles which had the effect of thoroughly arousing the people of the west and the southwest. The EAGLE undertook to show and of any restrictive or oppressive legislation that a new area of railway construction would soon follow in western Kansas, but that the passage of the maximum freight and tariff bill would discourage any further railroad building in the state and would in effect retard the development of western and southwestern Kansas many years. In looking over these articles now and in the light of what followed, they seem akin to prophecy. Every prediction has been more than fulfilled. The tariff and other like bills Lo, the bold tyrant rides in splendor among ishing all beholders by presenting the unwere killed after a hard fight by men principally from southwest and western Kansas, who felt convinced that such railway legislation or any railway legislation would be the death knell to as many as forty counties, or one-third of the state, at least for years, so far as any development or growth was concerned. Without railroads western Kansas would have had no equal showing in the race of civilization; with them her possibilities are immeasurable. From the recommendation made by the

railway commissioners, as well as from hints as to what the governor proposes to say in his message, it is very evident that another effort will be made this winter at railway legislation. All the influence that the present railways have, and all the influence of many of the older counties and debt burthened towns and cities of eastern Knusas will be thrown in favor of any scheme that will promise to cut off or restrict aid voting. The success of such a policy would be at the expense of the prosperity and development of forty or fifty counties of western Kansas, where a high state of cultivation and a progressive civilization cannot be maintained in the absence of railways not only, but of competitive railways. The people of the ter ritory alluded to have a rich soil beneath their feet, and over their heads a smiling heaven, but with these advantages prosperity is out of the question in the absence it, that there can be no great loss where lots. any munincipality gives its interest bearing I find two principal divisions in the renote in securing any permanent property quired elements for city building. First,

fight may be declared on.

TOPEKA ON WICHITA.

son's claim to the state capital.

ritten for the Eagle.
OH, ERIN BELOVED.

TO MRS. LEASE. Oh, Erin beloved! thy banner is trailing,
Low, low in the dust at the usurpers feet.
Where, where is the hand that should be unfurling,
Its bright glories out to the dawn in the

Oh! where is the fire which doth dwell in the

morasses; She vails her warm light from the down

did show, conclusively, that in the absence | The harp hangs untouched, in palace and

you, The clauk of his army rings in your head; His vile minions feast on the blood of "Old Ireland,"

Who tads you rejoice while your sad hearts are aching;
Poliute not the soil with oppression's bold
The one general rule by which such

footsteps While the hearts of your children in sor-Yes, wake from your dreaming, proud Erin,

Arise in your might, in the might of your of such cities controlled very largely by a

Strike down the oppressor, press on to the May Ireland once more be the home of the

poet, The home of the scholar may it ever more And the shamrock and thistle yet deck it's

dear banner, And float o'er a nation of men that are ARTHUR HODGSON.

The Walnuts, Jan. 1886.

IS IT WICHITA?

A remarkable feature of city building throughout the world is that very nearly of cheap fuel and cheap lumber, which can all of the cities of importance in commerce be afforded only by cheap transportation have been built at one or the other end of for long distances by competitive railways. a considerable valley, or in the middle of The howl which will be raised by some well defined geographical division of railway attorneys in either house, the valley. I am rather foud of abstruse railway lobbys outside philosophy in its relations to all things that the state is going to the dogs thinkable, especially where things material because of her immense aggregate indebt- comprise the major part of the subject edness will be a terriflic and prolonged thought of. I also know as an amateur howl in which hands will be laid upon that a daily newspaper is not, on account of hearts, eyes rolled skyward and the patri- the brevity required in its every element, otism of members appealed to, yet all this the place to air a metaphysical disquisition; demonstration will have been paid for be even though it should bear close relation fore made. It is a clean uncontrovertable incidentally to such local and common proposition of political economy, we take place things as outside additions and corner places of the upper valley. In the middle

things, admitting the truth of the two premises, it next remains for us to determine, if we can, which premise is the Mr. Frank P. MacLennan, editor of the superior. If, as I apprehend most people Topeka Daily Journal, spent Sunday in Would contend, the main element is the all would contend, the main element is the all powerful and controlling influence, then set all up of a hear by what he so unership to the set of the set set all up of a heap by what he so unex building a city is, regardless of location, a valley. Whoever seeks such a place, let pectedly encountered in the way of real matter purely of human enterprise. We them find in this valley the central point metropolitan life, that on returning to the should in that event find commercial cities which comes under the rules laid down in quiet puerlieus of the capital city he located upon more choice ground than this paper and he will have found the fudevoted no less that ten editorials in his most of them are. Local patriotism would, Monday's edition to Wichita, He starts as it scarcely ever has been able to do, out by declaring that Wichita people eat locate cities upon certain ground in this or To the Editor of Engle goose on Christmas and pluck people the that county or state; it would give a great With your permission I will talk with balance of the season; next, that one of commercial emporium that which not one my old frield, "Doc" Minturn, through Wichita's preachers, who has made of them ever had, i.e. a purely sectional, the columns of the Eagle, as there are a fortune in real estate, is known provincial and anti-cosmopolitan character, thousands of our people as deeply interest by the name of 25x140; that Kan- To illustrate, Rome was as the constrained ed in this "bogus butter" business as we. sas City's boom was busted by a robber's camp of her earlier days, not the In his "open letter" found in the Eagle southern methodist leaving that town and grander commercial Rome of latter years, some days ago he reproduces a lot of eld, going to Wichita, joining the M. E. church | Her Pantheon, temple of all the Gods, and stale resolutions that are made up of the the first Sunday; that the churches com- consequently of all religions, amply proves same material as this bogus stuff and colmencee service at an unusually early hour that the Ceasars made this unexampled ored in the same compound displayed by Sunday morning so that the congrega concession to all nations in the interest of Senator Ingalls while making his oleomartions can put in the afternoon showing international trade. When Rome became garine speech in the United States sens e people eligible lots at \$1,000 per front again sectarian and provincial her commer-some time ago. foot, that the intimate friend of Jay Gould cial greatness departed. The empire of You say: "There met in St. Louis a informed him that Wichita's only hope of the Saracens carefully guarded the freedom convention of the stock exchanges and rean opera house is through a Topeka capi of commerce. The cities of the Nether solved that the passage of the act taxing City Times. talist, that the Exels publishes in place of lands sprang from the bed of the sea in a oleomargarine has depreciated the value of a Sunday list of announcements a list of time when the better parts of Europe were cattle and hogs from \$3 to \$5 per head for any position of honor and trust, and real estate transfers, winding up by giving controlled by utter sectarian and provinreal estate transfers, winding up by giving controlled by utter sectarian and provin- and must be repealed." the Excel office a puff. We hope our cialisms, which made trade subservient to Is it possible you believe one word of friend may stay long enough next time to superstition and ignorance. From these this statement? Absurd. Don't you know young. catch something of the genuine affatus examples it will be readily admitted that the only persons who lose in this bus-

The Marverick National Bank of Boston | comparison-no human influences in a very | Stock exchange, indeed! That is to say is the most widely known bank in the considerable degree have ever been able to stock gamblers, blackbogs, gentlemen of United States, having very large and ex- controll the location of any commercial wealth and leisure. Millionaires of the tended business connections in all parts of city of much importance, except through a cities of St. Louis and Kansas City resolve the country. Its deposits have increased first consideration as to convenience of its that any law passed by the congress of the from \$300,000 in 1872 to \$10,000,000 in location with regard to the objects in na- United States that prevents us from ref-1886. It controls the sale of U.S. govern-ture which they needed. In commoner bing the people of Kansus is unjust and an ment bonds in Boston, a profitable monop-phraseology, the mountain rarely comes to outrage. oly, and it originated the system of tele Mahomet, save in very limited cases. Under Of course it is. graphic transfers of money to all points, a this law cities of considerable importance. Doc, be honest now. How much stock feature possessed by no other bank in Bos- are sometimes built by the local preponder- do you own in this St. Louis exchange? ton. Its success is mainly due to the en- ance of some specially desired natural pro- How much obsomergarine do they manuterprise and sagacity of its president, Mr. duet, as precious metals, coal, oil and etc., facture per year, and what is the per cent. Asa P. Potter, who has managed its affairs Such cities, owing to the general limit of of profit. Your open letter indicates for the last ten years, and who is recognize knowledge possessed by the masses, are strongly that you are not only interested

deceiving; or by changes of carrying lines know that oleomargarine is a counterfeit, or schedules in hostility to it and those who pass counterfeit should be

will avail. Its pioneers may not, prosecuted. the next see a city and standing upon the apex of its incorporated mind and matter discern a thousand indications of a commercial metropolis as certainly as the people of the nineteenth century see a world and other worlds as no preceding age could see them. Such a place is a veritable to the second see them. Such a place is a veritable to the second see them. Such a place is a veritable to destroy a legitimate and honorable business, and substitute therefor a deception, a fraud, a counterfeit. Can we afford it?

Respectfully,

JNO. KELLY.

The Dodge City Times says that great

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The Dodge City Times are them. For how can be sing while his country is ple of the nineteenth century see a world afford it? bleeding, Ground d.wn in the dust by oppression's could see them. Such a place is a veritable chameleon, even changing and astonexpected phase. No city of this character opening of the Neutral Strip, or as it is betin the United States when located in fair ter known No-Man's-Land. Hundreds of While her poor starving people are crying agricultural country has ever reached 20. 000 population and ceased to grow rapidly Your children in rags, which the wild wind where it was the largest place within a Are dying for food which you cannot sup- radius of over 100 miles. And the more recent the founding of such a city the farply; r youths, and your maidens are leaving ther west it has been necessarily, and the green Erin,
From the home of their birth you have
forced them to fly.
Oh! rise in your strength crush back the base its progress as to -time, size, architecture

cities seem to be controlled in design and growth, is their general location in some part of a great valley, and that all of our great valleys whose rivers are semithe boastful.

Fling off the rude chains which fetter your transcontinental contain a number comparatively free commerce, and existing by the great law of natural selection in its To again illustrate, the St. Lawrence and

the great lakes which is one waterway from the mountains to the sea contain in its valley Quebec, Montreal, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee and Duluth. In the Hudson valley the clustered metrop-Albany in its center. On the James we have Norfolk, Richmond and Lynchburg. On the Ohio we have Louisville, Cincinnati, Wheeling and Pittsburg with considerable cities on its principal branches. On the Mississippi are New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis and Minneapolis-St. Paul. On the Missouri are really St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha and growing cities further up. Aside from the Missouri the Arkan. gavel.—Wellington Postal Card. sas is the only tributary of the Mississippi sas is the only tributary of the Mississippi tive-elect from the representative district in that heads in the Rocky mountains. It is Sedgwick county in which Wichita is situ-Pueblo and Leadville are the leading places of the upper valley. In the middle of this great valley, as in the the middle of the Mississippi valley where the principal travel crosses from east to west at St. Louis, those conditions exist in great measure which make it the nature in the leading widely mentioned to the house. It is claimed for Mr. Hatfield that he has the requisite high character, thorough education, knowledge of law, position—Winfield Courier. Pueblo and Leadville are the leading given.

But we did not start out to discuss this question either generally or systematically at this time, only to give notice to all parties in interest that the Eagle will be with the people of the New Kansas of the more prosperous and more ambitions west and southwest this winter or whenever the great commercial metropolis as it ever located Roman cities upon the sites of extinct Etruscan towns, or the cities of Amervalley what St. Louis is to the Mississippi,

> ture metropolis. RESEARCH.

constrained inspired.

One and the control of the satisfaction of the irresistable of Shylocks come into the state capital.

The Marverick National Bank of Boat.

Constrained income the satisfaction of the irresistable of the country—free at least by the satisfaction of the irresistable of the country—free at least by the satisfaction of the sa with which our preachers and real estate that man exerts under constrained iness are the poor country people, while dealers and people generally are all alike political and religious influences of his own inspired.

political and religious influences of his own the only persons benefited are the rick inspired.

Rodolph Hatfield, of Wichita, wants to be inspired. ing the answer of Kanopolis to McPher ruption or deviation of the irresistable old mossback Missouri on purpose to rob

ed as one of the leading financiers of the frequently carried beyond their legitimate but well posted on the wrong side.

the specialty upon which they are founded.

Pennsylvania, California and Colorado, afford remarkable examples of such cities.

Such instances are not to be classed with those true commercial centers wholly located with regard to a commanding position or even insinuate that "One half of all the science half of all the science half of all the butter made is not fit for human food."

While this statement may have been partially true ten or fifteen years ago, with the scanty means then available to make and keep it, yet it will not do to say so ed with regard to a commanding position and keep it, yet it will not do to say so where is the fire which doth dwell in the bosoms sires who have long in the dust been laid low? "patriots" but names of the past, in old Ireland? in an extensive field abounding in the great- now. You know of your own personal Of sires who have long in the dust been laid low?

Of sires who have long in the dust been laid low?

Of sires who have long in the dust been existence in defiance of the proximity of will place our farmers in a condition that human opposition exerted by ignoring or be first-class and genuine; and you also trict - Kiowa Signal.

and probably seldom do, properly appre- Now let me say in conclusion, not only trodden land,
And the moon in her journeyings weeps as clate their growing village. It matters not, of this letter but on this entire subject, she passes,
Lo, see the foul reign o'er the gaunt, famished land.

The harp bangs untouched, in palace and cottage,
While the hearts of her people with grief are o'er pressed;
She struggles in vam for her long fought for freedom,
For the heel of the tyrant is pressed on her breast.

The meaning ight and plants his fortunes with her. The pioneers establish is at an ere o'er pressed;
The meaning ight and plants his fortunes with her. The pioneers establish its standard upon the certainty of becomdirectly to the great detriment and loss to directly to the great detriment and loss to directly to the great detriment and loss to our people. As stated by the Mulvane are o'er pressed;
Should he be successful, and the Times hopes the next see a town and anticipate a city; the next see a town and anticipate a city; the next see a city and standing upon the breast.

The Republican takes pleasure in enders. however, for each new immigrant sees it that the opening up of either a wholesale freedom,

For the heel of the tyrant is pressed on her the next see a city and standing upon the and Missouri the gainer. We grant them rising,

The poet's clear note is hushe i through the land;

The poet's clear note is hushe i through the land;

The poet's clear note is hushe i through the ple of the nineteenth century see a world afford it?

Respectfully,

> The Dodge City Times says that great excitement prevails in that city over the persons are preparing to move to this promised land, and predictions are made that all

Favorable Expressions From the Kansas

that the sentiment of the state is unifying in favor of Hon. Rodolph Hatfield as the man most eminently fitted to preside over the deliberations of the lower House the last house so distinctively and successfull der him a most acceptable candidate and the making of a most suscessful presiding officer. But of these matters we have spoken before. This morning we produce the matter of the matter of the morning we produce the matter of the morning we produce the matter of the morning we produce the morning of the matter of the matte a large number of short favorable notices, incidentally culled from the pages of our temperment and experience, making him state cotemporaries. No doubt we over-looked very many equally as favorable, but

Rodolph Hatfield, of Wichita, would make

Rodolph Hatheld, of Wichita, would make a good speaker of the next house of representatives. He is favored by at least two of the representatives from Summer county, and will doubtless be supported by the south and west portions of the state. Mr. Hatfield is a member of the legal firm of Bentley, Hatfield & Bentley, and has the ability to make a speaker of which southern Kansas would have cause to feel proud. Give Hatfield the Rodolph Hatfield, the talented representa-

that heads in the Rocky mountains. It is the very latest of the great valley regions to even partially develop. Little Rock and Fort Smith are small yet both are most likely destined to be always as they are now the metropelis of the lower Arkansas.

The Hon. Mr. Hatfield, of Wichita, is in i been materially improved within the last few weeks. He is a young man of great energy, and of fine presence, of good legislative experience, and if chosen speaker will undoubted with make a faithful and influential pressling office. The contest will probably be between Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Smith, of McPherson county. The eastern part of the state will be satisfied with either of these gentlemen, and there are no county.

water Times.

Mr. Rodolph Hatfield, representing the great city of Wichita in the legislature, is also a candidate for speaker. Mr. Hatfield is one of the most promising young attorneys in Kansas. He was a hard-working member of the house of 1885, and now has a strong following in the speakership contest. Mr. Hatfield is a man of push and ability. He would make an excellent presiding officer, and he has many friends in Kansas who could be no better pleased than to see him made presiding officer.—Kansas City Times.

The Unil always takes pleasure in suptimized the foreign and cultures gentleman, who is abundantly well qualified to administer the duties of speaker of the house impartially and successfully. There can be no

The Quill always takes pleasure in supthat is why we are in invor or nototoph ma-field, of Wichita, for speaker of the hruse the coming session of the legislature. He is young to be sure, but old in experience, and would fill the position to the satisfaction of everybody. We are for Hatfield first, last,

We are pleased to notice the names of such giant Republicans as A. W. Smith, of McPherson, and Rostoiph Hatfield, of Wichita, coming to the front for the speakership of the next house. Both of them are sminently qualified to fill the place and are thoroughly conversant with all the details of logislation, and familiar with the rules of the house, besides being courteous, dignified gentlemen. No difference into whose hands the gave innay fall, the house will have a prethe gavel may fall, the bouse will have a pre-siding officer for whom it will never have to osh —Sterling Bulletin.

We are highly pleased over the very favorable indications of the election of Hon. Radolph Hatfield, of Wichita, as speaker of the next state legislature. He has got the lead in the race and is coming down the home stretch at 2.50 gait. Although we differ with Mr. Hatfield politically, we admire his

Hon. Rodolph Hatfield, of Wichita, is a

Hon. Rodolph Hatfield, of Wichita, is a strong candidate for the speakership of the next legislature. We are not an admirer of Mr. Hatfield politically, but he is one of the most sociable and companionable fellows on earth, and we would be glad to hear of his election.—Dighton Journal.

Rodolph Hatfield a prominent attorney of

posttons of honor and, as Mr. Hatfield lives in the neighboring city of Wichita, we think our delegation will be justified in voting for him and supporting him in the Republican caucus. We hope he will be chosen.—ElDorado Republicar

Mr. Hatfield, the other candidate, is known ised land, and predictions are made that all as a good and safe legislator although young-the country will be settled bfore May, '87. er than his competitors, and has only served in the sessions of 1885 and 1886. He is ripe HON. RODOLPH HATFIELD.
Favorable Expressions From the Kansas

Press.

Daily it becomes more and more evident that the sentiment of the state is unifying an favor of Hen. Rodolph Hatfield as the many very forms, and still more for intraduce. improved farms, and still more for introducoming winter. His experience, his ability esponsed the cause of labor as did Mr. Hatfleld, and while that question continues to be of such magnitude, of such these are sufficient to give our readers an accurate idea of the favorable manner in which his candidacy has been received:

Some of our local politicians yesterday in predicting the distribution of offices in the state legislature for the ensuing winter, said predict success for Hatfield.—Sterling Re

> lower house of the next general assembly promises to be a task of much interest There are three or four condidate and the friends of each, while expressing confidence in their success, are working with a zeal which does not be peak the confidence they express. With all due respect to the other gentlemen who are aspiring, the Courier is constrained to express its preference for the selection of Hon. Rodolph Haffield, of Wich-ita, and commend him to the representatives of the state as most worthy and capable. There are many reasons why Mr. Hatfield would prefer to remain on the floor of the house and avoid the duties and responsibility test will be determined in his favor and tha

tinct Etruscan towns, or the cities of America where those of the extinct aborigines had long since been. It will be to this had long since been. It will be to this it lively for his opponent, A. W. Smith, of McPherson county.—Ottawa Daily Republi

satisfied with either of these gentlemen, and there seems to be a general disposition to allow the speakership to go to the west or south west thus year. Mr. Hatfield is making friends among the new members, and is popular with the old.—Lawrence Journal.

The Hon Rodolph Hatfield seems to be considerably in the lead for speaker in the most industrious. There is but little donot that however throughout the state are strong to the advocation of the papers throughout the state are strong to the advocation of the papers.

advocacy of his selection.-Clear- presiding officer.- Eureka Messenger. Many signs indicate that Hatfield, of

> tially and successfully. There can be no mistake for the interest of the state, or the Mr. Rodolph Hatfield, of Sedgwick county who is a prominent candidate for speaker of the house of representatives, came to Kan-sas from Lincoln, Iii. He has many old true to the principles of the party in whose ranks he has served since he cast his first ballot. He has a strong following and is daily gaining strength throughout the state.

Hon Rodolph Hatfield, of Wichita, called at the Gazette office on Tuesday. Mr. Hatfield is a candidate for the speakarship of the house in the next ession of the legislature, and, jedging by his evident ability and his established reputation, he would abil fill the chair. Mr. Hatfield, however, has very strong competitors in the field for the same position.—Wyandotte Gazette.

ance of some specially desired natural product, as precious metals, coal, oil and etc.
Such cities, owing to the general limit of knowledge passessed by the masses, are frequently carried beyond their legitimate but well posted on the wrong side.

I am sorry that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery the masses are softenessed by a blind faith in the vast extent of lam sorry that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery the masses are softenessed by a blind faith in the vast extent of lam sorry that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery the masses are softenessed by the masses are strongly that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has represented his discovery that my old friend should say legislature. Mr. H. has repre Hon Rodolph Hatefield, representativ

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